The South 40

Grain varities noted

By JAMES A. SMITH
Extension Agent

The recommended varieties of small grain for '84 seeding are: Winter Oats--Southern States 76-30, Coker 716, Cumberland, Pennwin; Barley--Barsoy, Susses, Surry, Henry, Maury; Wheat--Coker 916, Coker 747, McNair 1003, Saluda, Massey, Wheeler, Feland, Pioneer 2550, Scotty, Tyler; Rye--Abruzzi.

We were unable to obtain sufficient copies of the description and yield data for distribution to all growers. If you would like a copy, pick up one from our office. Wheeler and McNair 1003 will be dropped from the recommended list after 1984.

Within these recommended varieties there are significant differences. I recommend you pick up a copy of the data and study the varieties carefully.

In mid August, one of our good dairymen came in with 17 soil samples. He represents the fields on which I will plant my '85 corn crop. This is good planning. I looked over the results. The pH ranged from 5.8 to 6.4 requiring from zero to 2.25 tons of lime per acre. The nitrogen requirements range from 100 to 150 pounds. The phosphorus requirements range from 10 to 65 pounds per acre and potassium ranged from zero to 140 pounds.

Knowing your requirements, getting the lime in place this fall and planning the fertilizer order can save and make dollars next year.

This producer has developed a good practice that needs to be emulated by others.

It's that time of year to take soil samples for the predictive nematode assay on fields where tobacco will be grown next year. These samples can be sent in between September 1 and December 1. We have bags and record sheets for your use.

In 1982, Appomattox growers submitted 23 samples--9 needed a nematicide applied.

In 1983, only 4 samples were submitted. One showed that a nematicide may increase yields. Our goal is for 50 samples in 1984. The sampled area should represent no more than 4 acres and at least 20 subsamples come from the area. Sample to a depth of 6 to 8 inches. There will be ample soil to fill the bag and provide for a soil fertility test, so you do two jobs at the same time.

The 3rd Annual Granite Hall Farm Sheep Field Day will be held October 9, 4:30 p.m., with a complimentary lamb barbeque. If you are interested in some diversification and possibly additional income, take a look at sheep. If you plan to attend, we need to know by October 5 in order for feeding arrangements to be made.

The Stocker-Finisher Clinic was well attended last Thursday. A follow-up of this program is a two-day bus tour of 8 outstanding stocker-finishing beef operations on November 14-15. The tour departs from Staunton 9:00 a.m. on the 14th and returns at 6:00 p.m. on the 15th.

Total cost--bus, food, lodging--will be $65.00 - $75.00. We have registration forms for those who would like to participate.

There are 7 All-American winners for 1985--five flowers and two vegetables. The flower varieties are: Geranium "Rose Diamond;" Gazania "Mini-Star Tangerine;" Celosia "Century Mixed;" Verbena "Trinidad;" Zinnia "Yellow Marvel."

The two vegetables are: Lettuce "Red Sails"--this is a loose leaf lettuce. According to the breeder, the leaves contain more nutritional value than other types; six times the Vitamin A as crispheads and three times the Vitamin C. Because of its attractive color, it can be grown as a border in a flower of herb garden. The other vegetable is Squash "Sunburst."

This item is hearsay--It came from a Kentucky publication reprinted from a St. Louis newspaper and credited to an arboretum near Newark, Ohio.

Every year we get a host of calls abouts how to control moles in the lawn. Our standard recommendation is use mole traps or treat the lawn with an insecticide to kill off the grubs.

I don't know whether this new idea works, but you may want to try it. One thing about having moles, it is a good indicator that grubs are feeding on the roots of your grass and tells you to do something about them.

The new idea is Juicy Fruit Chewing Gum. Determine which runs are being used. Wear plastic gloves to avoid any human scent. Unwrap the gum and roll it up like a little carpet; make a slit in a fresh run and drop in the gum. Then push the cut back together so the moles can't see any light.

I would be interested in knowing if you have success using this technique.

AUCTION: AMHERST LIVESTOCK MARKET

September 13, 1984

STEERS:	M & L 1	S-1 M&L-2
300-500 lbs.	$58.00-$65.10	$52.00-$59.00
500-700 lbs.	$59.00-$63.00	$51.00-$58.00
700-1000 lbs.	$54.00-$58.00	
FEEDER BULLS:		
300-500 lbs.	$49.00-$56.25	
500-700	$44.00-$49.50	
HEIFERS:		
300-500 lbs.	$47.00-$51.25	$42.00-$45.00
500-700 lbs.	$47.00-$51.00	$40.00-$46.00
Baby Calves		$49.00
UTILITY & COMMERCIAL 2-4		$38.00-$45.25
CANNER & CUTTERS 1-3		$29.00-$34.00
SLAUGHTER BULLS 1 & 2		$44.00-$47.00
HOGS:		
US 1-3, 200-240 lbs.		$48.00
Boars		$32.00
VEAL:		
Good		$48.00-$52.00
SLAUGHTER CALVES:		
Good & Choice		$47.00-$51.00

Special Feeder Cattle Sale Sept. 18, Time - 7:00. Beef ST & H only, 300 up. Weigh time - 7 - 3. Please call and let us know how many calves you will have. Horse sale Sept. 22 - Time - 7:00.

THE HISTORIC Appomattox Railroad Festival Board is offering free tee-shirts with each $5 donation to the 1984 festival, effective Sept. 10. The funds collected through this program will be used to pay for stamps, brochures, stationery, advertising and other items. Donations may be made at the DMV license office on Court Street, at the Appomattox Rexall store, or to any festival board member. Shown with the tee shirts are children of board members (from left) seated-Matthew Montgomery, William Pack, Allen Montgomery, Sara Morris, Jill Lawson, Adam Morris; (standing) Allison Lawson, Dana Doss, Becca Carter, Roxann Williams, and Laura Williams.

Rocks news

By CASSIE BALDWIN

Rocks, Sept. 10-The Five County Fair opened on Monday. They were greeted with rain.

The Baldwin and Paul wedding took place on September 7 at 7 p.m. in the Chapel of Liberty Baptist College. A very large crowd attended.

The Smith and Paulette wedding was an event of Saturday, Sept. 8 at Liberty Chapel Baptist Church. A very large crowd attended.

Wiley Richardson entered the hospital again Saturday morning. A speedy recovery is wished him.

Mrs. John Young has returned from the hospital. She broke her arm. She is at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Barbara Caldwell of Appomattox.

We enjoyed together an end-of-the-season ice cream supper Sunday night, Sept. 9, along with the anniversary cake for our pastor who has been with us 3 years as of Sept. 13. This was a surprise. Between 70 and 80 were present. Many visitors came.

Greg Hipps took Bruce Saunders to VPI on Tuesday, Sept. 11, where he will enter.

On Wednesday night delegates were named to attend the Appomattox Baptist Association on Oct. 18 and 19, at Evergreen Baptist Church on the 18 at 7:30 p.m. and on the 19 at Hollywood Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m. From Rocks Baptist Church the following were named: Ed and Florence Ranson, Jeter and Gertrude Wooldridge, the Rev. and Mrs. Winfred Elder and alternates to attend are Helen Inge and Nancy Williams.

Get-well wishes go out to Mr. Jake Mann, who is in a Richmond hospital.

Lisa Womack is at home from Duke hospital in North Carolina but going back and forth for treatments. May she have a quick recovery.

On September 22, work time will be held at Rocks Church. We will put the finishing touch on things that need it.

Rocks Baptist Church will be 212 years old on Sept. 30. Come out and help celebrate. Lunch will be at 12:30 p.m. An afternoon session will be at 2 p.m. special music, drama an and comments by former pastors will be featured.

The Young Hearts Club will meet at Memorial Methodist Church, Appomattox on Sept. 27 at 10:30 a.m. Note the change of date.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Martin attended Homecoming at Gladstone Sunday, Sept. 9.

Sympathy goes out to the Dick Robinson family in the death of their loved one who passed away on Saturday night Sept. 15.

Mrs. Lloyd Inge left Friday for her new home in Arkansas. She will be greatly missed at Pamplin, where she lived for many years.

The Pastor's Conference and W.M.U. Executive Board of the Appomattox Association had their meeting at Falling River Baptist Church on last Monday, Sept. 10 at 10:30 a.m.

A number attended the Five County Fair last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Ferguson are all smiles. It's a girl, born on Sept. 6. Debbie and infant returned home on Sept. 10.

A speedy recovery is wished Robert Saunders who was moved to Dukes Hospital in N.C. on Wednesday.

Thomas Richardson is in Georgia with his daughter, Cynthia. May he have a quick recovery.

A nice crowd came out last Sunday, Sept. 9 to church. Much better attendance than it was the Sunday before.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Almond took their son Tim to V.P.I. Friday where he will enter for the first time.

Helen Inge is out after being quite sick for a few days. Hope she has a speedy recovery.

The Prayertime Circle had their meeting on Tuesday in place of Wednesday as stated in the bulletin.

A number from Rocks attended the Homecoming at Elon Baptist Church Sept. 16.

Happiness is 4-H

By FRANK H. SWEET
Extension Agent

Exhibits were returned from the Five County Fair on Sunday. If you had exhibits which we carried to the fair for you, please stop by our office and pick them up. Several Appomattox exhibitors won the top number of blue ribbons in the various categories at the Fair, including Karen Gilliam in Livestock, David Short in educational exhibits, Mike Mann in Field Crops and Mrs. Margaret Lee in Foods.

4-H projects from last year are due in the Extension Office by Monday, October 1. 4-H project work is most important and each member should strive to turn in at least one completed project. Projects will be judged and returned to members at their November meetings.

The Annual 4-H Officer Training Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon, October 3, from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. in the auditorium of Appomattox Elementary School. All newly elected 4-H officers are asked to attend this important training session. Officers will be given the chance to practice their responsibilities during the training meeting.

Pledge sheets should be available this week for the American Cancer Society's Ten Mile Bike-A-Thon. Pledge sheets will be available in the libraries at AES, AMS and ACHS. The Bike-A-Thon will be held on Sunday afternoon, October 21, beginning at 2:00 p.m.

The 1984 4-H Business Management Workshop will be held at the Virginia Methodist Assembly Center in Blackstone on December 14-15. This opportunity for senior 4-H'ers to learn about business opportunities and the management techniques used by businesses is partially sponsored by the Virginia Chamber of Commerce. Details and applications will be available in the next few weeks.

Now is the time for 4-H'ers to begin to get geared up to participate in the Central Virginia Livestock Show next May. 4-H'ers may exhibit market lambs, market beef steers and beef heifers in the show. Steers need to be purchased or obtained and on feed by mid November. Lambs may be obtained in January. Financial assistance for 4-H'ers is available from the FHA Youth Project Loan Program for approved youth livestock projects. Families may call the Extension Office for details about the Central Virginia Livestock Show.

Woodmen planning radio day

Woodmen of the World Camp 71 in Appomattox will conduct their annual "Radio Day" Oct. 6.

This community project is made possible through the cooperation of local radio station WTTX-FM 107. Local Woodmen will man the radio station the entire day.

Proceeds from the project will assist the many community projects that are being supported by the Fraternalism of Woodcraft such as local fire and rescue units, Dixie Youth Association activities, the Special Olympics, churches and civic organizations (placement of Christian and American flags), special benefit drives, crutches, walkers, and wheelchairs for the disabled, and other projects.

During the coming days, local Woodsmen will contact local citizens and businesses in order to give them the opportunity to be a part of this annual event.

If you desire to take part in the activity and are not contacted, the committee apologizes and asks that you get in touch with Chairman, Steve Marshall at 352-5790 or Co-chairman Floyd Fleshman at 352-8049.

Letters to editor

Martin says thanks

Editor:

There were 112 donors present on August 21, with seven defferrals making a net collection of 105 units.

Ten donors received pins: John W. Canado, 9 gallons, and Harry O. Guill, 5 gallons. We had one 3 gallon donor, Lucy Merritt. Two-gallon pins went to: Kathleen T. Dickerson, Katherine L. Poole, Myrna F. Clark, Ann Fletcher, and Emogene Mayberry. Phil Paulette and Deborah M. Watson received one-gallon pins.

Four first time donors were: RANDOLPH VALENTINE, ELIZABETH NASH, JUDY JOHNSON and PHILLIP MOBLEY.

Hostess for the canteen was SPOUT SPRING BAPTIST CHURCH, who did a great job as usual, and other donors to the canteen were FOOD WORLD, PEPSI COLA BOTTLING and TRAVELERS INN MOTEL.

Many thanks to the 39 volunteers who made possible the visit of the bloodmobile, also, to the Liberty Baptist Church who so generously offer their nice facilities.

Sincerely,
Alice C. Martin
Chairman Blood Services

Festival successful

Editor:

The 2nd Annual Appomattox Lions Beef Festival is now history. The festival this year was an even greater success than last year. We wish to thank all the businesses and individuals who contributed this year by buying tickets to this now annual event.

The Lions Club of Appomattox is non-profit and the funds derived from the festival will be used in this County for many worthwhile projects.

We also wish to express our appreciation to Ed and Ann Riley for the use of Paradise Lake Campground, Watkins M. Abbitt, Jr., Jim and Nancy Elder and the Lonesome Road Band, Dean Page and The Rocky Run Express, American Federal Savings & Loan, Farmers National Bank, Central Fidelity Bank, Hobart Equipment Co., Pepsi Cola, Coca Cola, Dillard Paper Co., Kyanite Farms, Flowers Baking Co., C. F. Sauers, Co. and a special thanks once again to Appomattox County Citizens for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Ronald C. Spiggle
Maurice E. Gordon
Co-Chairmen, Beef Festival
Marvin J. House, Jr.,
President Appomattox Lions Club

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In October 1983, a group of concerned individuals met in Richmond, Virginia with the Superintendents of the Civil War Parks run by the National Park Service in Virginia with the idea of exploring ways of assisting the parks. At that meeting it was decided that there was a need for, and an interest in, forming a FRIENDS group to provide support and assistance to the five National Civil War Parks in Virginia: APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK; FREDERICKSBURG AND SPOTSYLVANIA NATIONAL MILITARY PARK; MANASSAS NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK; PETERSBURG NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK; and RICHMOND NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK. After two additional meetings and considerable discussion, a set of by-laws was approved and the FRIENDS OF VIRGINIA CIVIL WAR PARKS came into being on February 4, 1984.

Article II of the by-laws sets forth the purpose of the FRIENDS. In part it states: "The purpose of FRIENDS OF VIRGINIA CIVIL WAR PARKS is to assist the present and future National Park Service Civil War Parks in Virginia. . . . . . to protect and interpret the historical resources therein contained for the benefit of this and succeeding generations and to promote the historical, scientific, educational, and interpretive activities of the Civil War Parks and generate private donations of cash and kind for these parks."

For this organization to be a success we need the assistance of each and every person interested in the study of America's past. With today's reduced Federal budgets the Park Service needs our assistance to continue to do the very fine job they have done in the past. You can help by joining TODAY.

The by-laws provide that the FRIENDS shall be governed by an Executive Board composed of 15 members, three from each of the five National Parks. On April 29, 1984, a meeting was held in Fredericksburg, Virginia, and the membership elected an Executive Board. The Board then, in accordance with the by-laws, elected the following officers, to serve for one year: Dean R. Warner, Reston, Virginia, President, Dana Elizabeth Rice, Petersburg, Virginia, Vice President; Homer D. Musselman, Fredericksburg, Virginia, Secretary; and Dennis W. Madison, Richmond, Virginia, Treasurer.

The annual dues schedule for Charter Membership appears below:

Individual	$ 10.00	Benefactor	100.00
Family	15.00	Sponsor	250.00 or more
Sustaining Individual	20.00	Historical Organization	25.00
Patron	50.00	Corporate	500.00

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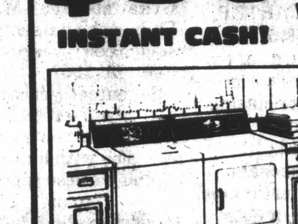

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